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**Thursday, August 10, 2006**

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**Purchasing Office  
RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION**

**ITEM No. 40**

**Subject:** Authorize award, negotiation and execution of a 12-month requirements service contract with TMG CONSULTING, INC., Austin, TX, for Customer Information Systems (CIS) gap analysis and related services in an estimated amount not to exceed \$217,100, with two 12-month extension options in an estimated amount not to exceed \$217,100 per extension option, for a total estimated contract amount not to exceed \$651,300.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding in the amount of \$217,100 is available in the Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Amended Operating Budget of Austin Energy. Funding for the extension options is contingent upon available funding in future budgets.

**Fiscal Note:** There is no unanticipated fiscal impact. A fiscal note is not required.

**Additional Backup Material**  
(click to open)  
No Attachments Available

**For More Information:** Dolores Castillo, 512-322-6466

**Purchasing Language:** Best evaluated proposal of eight proposals received.

**MBE/WBE:** This contract will be awarded in accordance with Chapter 2-9C of the City Code (Minority-Owned and Women-Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program. No subcontracting opportunities were identified; therefore, no goals were established for this solicitation.

This contract is for consulting services to consolidate and streamline the various billing systems currently used to bill for metered, and non-metered services, pole rental, and off system sales that may be billed to customers who may be non-retail electric customers.

The consultant will provide services including but not limited to: · research and report on industry best practices for CIS systems, pricing flexibility and business processes · conduct a gap analysis by evaluating existing CIS and other related systems · determine gaps, if any, between the functionality of existing systems and best practices assessment of each of the scenarios derived · provide an objective analysis of City's requirements · identify potential CIS solution providers · research design needs · incorporate necessary elements into the design specifications.

The consultant will also assist Austin Energy in developing a comprehensive Request for Proposal which will meet the needs of the City of Austin departments and prepare a series of objective criteria which may be used to rank various proposals.

MBE/WBE Solicited: 50/12 MBE/WBE Responded: 0/0

REF IFB GM05300053 PRICE ANALYSIS a. Adequate competition. b. Sixty-seven notices were sent including 50 MBEs and 12 WBEs. Twenty solicitations were issued. Eight proposals were received with no response from the MBEs/WBEs. APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a. Best evaluated proposal. b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award. c. Advertised on the Internet.

Delivery Section of Austin Energy. It will be towed to the worksite by a service truck, and will be used to install overhead electrical conductor. It is capable of pulling up to four separate lines of electrical conductor simultaneously. This represents a great improvement over the single line pullers currently in use.

PRICE ANALYSIS a. Adequate competition. b. Fifty-five notices were sent. There are no known MBE/WBEs for these commodities. Eight solicitations were issued. Five bids were received. c. This is the first purchase of this type mini-derrick; therefore, there is no pricing history available. The pricing offered on the power units represents no change to the last purchase made June 1999. The pricing offered on the cable puller represents a 10% decrease from the last purchase made June 1997.

APPROVAL JUSTIFICATION a. Low bidders meeting specifications. b. The Purchasing Office concurs with Austin Energy's recommended award. c. Advertised in the Austin American-Statesman and Internet.